

## THEHANFORDSITE

# Single-Shell Tank Retrieval Status Update and Path Forward

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## Safety Message: Use of Operational Experience

- Operating Experience
- Organization
- Feedback
- Lessons learned







#### **Topic of Briefing**

- Single-shell tank retrievals status update
- Related Hanford Advisory Board Work Plan Topic: Tank Closure Progress





#### **Purpose**

Objective of the briefing: Provide a status update on single-shell tank waste retrievals.

What is being briefed?

- Update on retrieval status of Tanks AX-102 and AX-104
- Path-forward for Tanks AX-102 and AX-104
- Lessons for future A/AX tank farm waste retrievals
- Status of construction for next retrievals

What do we want the HAB to do with this information?

 Informational briefing to remain current on tank waste retrieval operations.







#### **AX Farm Tank Waste Retrievals**

#### **Retrievals Performed to Date**

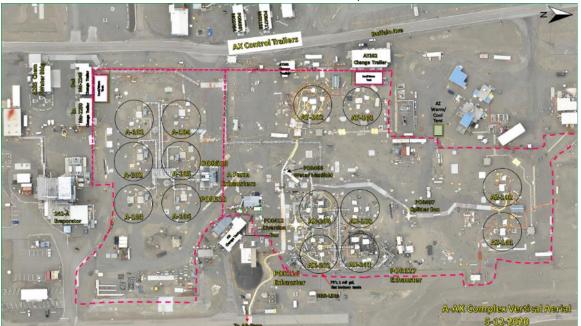
(AX Farm tanks are all 1 million-gallon capacity, flat bottom and contain 23 air circulators)

#### Tank AX-102

- 30,000 gallons of saltcake and sludge
- Extended-reach sluicing and high-pressure water technologies
- Limits of two cleanup technologies reached Jan. 6, 2020

#### Tank AX-104

- 5,000 gallons of sludge
- Extended-reach sluicing and high-pressure water technologies
- Limits of two cleanup technologies reached Feb. 1, 2021



A/AX Farms aerial May 12, 2020







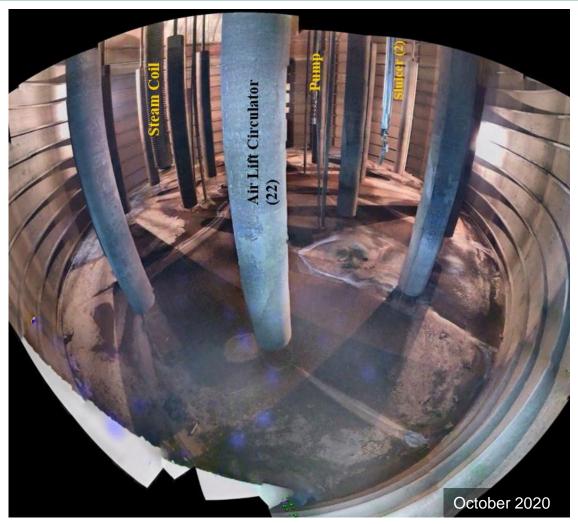


Tank AX-102 pre-retrieval tank view







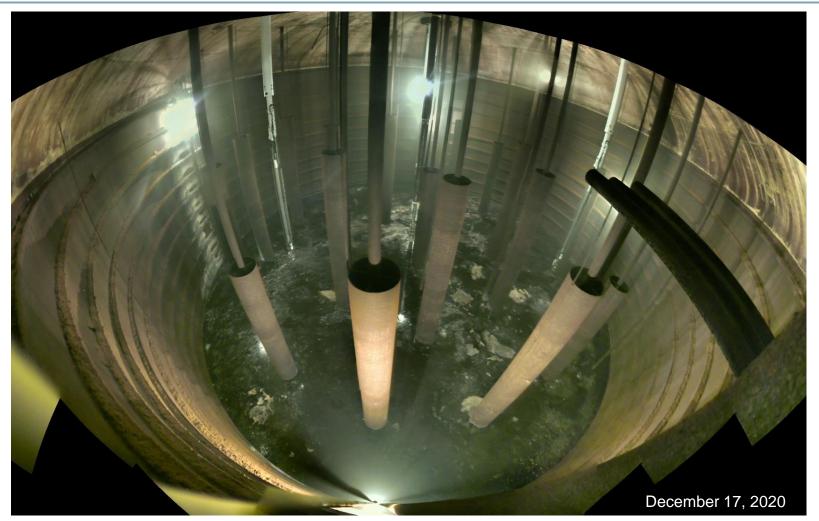


Tank AX-102 post-retrieval tank view







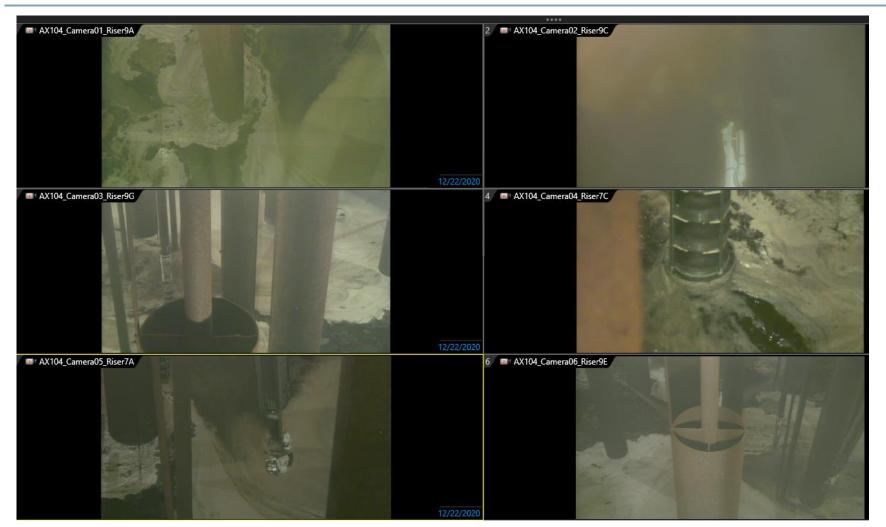


Tank AX-104 pre-retrieval tank view









Tank AX-104 in-tank six-camera view of tank retrieval, which began Dec. 22, 2020









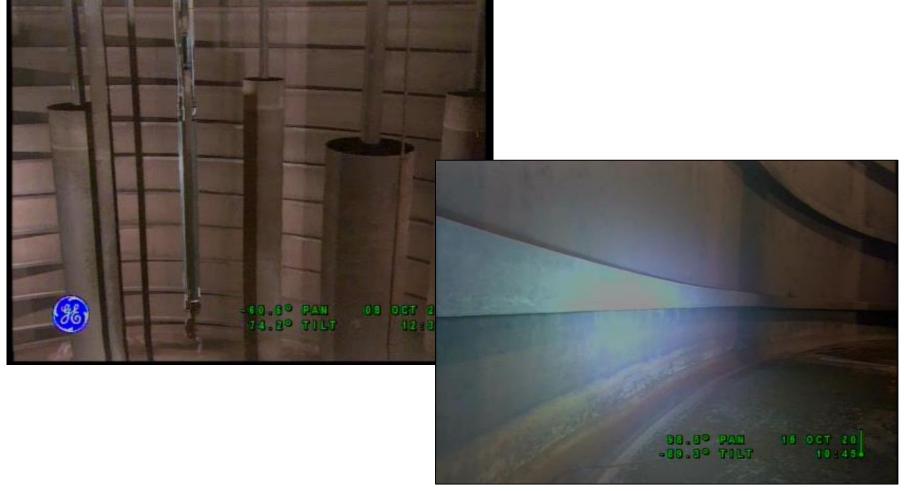
Tank AX-104, recirculation of caustic solution







## **Lessons for Future A/AX Farms Tank Waste Retrievals**



Tank AX-102 tank wall, post-retrieval







#### **Construction and Next Retrievals**

#### **AX-Farm**

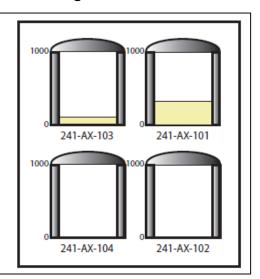
#### Tank AX-103

- 104,000 gallons of waste, mostly saltcake
- Construction finishing, with a July 2021 retrieval start date
- Sluicing and high-pressure water technologies

#### Tank AX-101

- 323,000 gallons of waste, mostly saltcake
- Construction underway, with fall 2022 retrieval start date
- Sluicing and high-pressure water technologies

AX-Tank Farm- Constructed 1963-1965 4 @ 1,000 Kgal Tank Capacity, Single-Shell			
	Kgal		
Tank	Sludge	Saltcake	Supernatant
241-AX-101	2	321	0
241-AX-102	6	7	0
241-AX-103	8	96	0
241-AX-104	3	0	5



AX Farm tank waste contents (as of Jan. 31, 2021)







#### THE HANFORD SITE Construction and Next Retrievals (cont.)

#### **A Farm**

- Tank ventilation system installed and operating
- Tank A-101 internal equipment removal underway
- Tank Farm utilities upgrade underway
- First A Farm tank retrieval (Tank A-101) begins 2024



A Farm ventilation system



Tank A-101 saltwell pump removal







## **Summary / Key Takeaways**

- The Tank Operations Contract contractor is making excellent progress in safely and efficiently retrieving A/AX tanks, making Hanford safer for the workforce, the public and environment
- DOE and the contractor are consistently examining operating experiences to identify and apply lessons learned for future tank waste retrievals



